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Tropical Storm Bonnie & Hurricane Charley
SITUATION REPORT #4
1000 HOURS, 14 August 04

SITUATION:

As of 0830 EDT, the National Weather Service reports Hurricane Charley is moving toward the north-northeast near 28 mph. This motion is expected to continue with an increase in forward speed during the next 24 hours. Storm surge flooding and storm tide impacts, minor threat beach erosion, minor to moderate coastal flooding are forecasted for late Saturday afternoon and evening. Storm surge could be 1 to 2 feet across most of the Chesapeake Bay, including the tidal portion of most rivers flowing into the Bay. Higher surges of 2 to 3 feet are possible in selected areas.

There are no evacuations in place for any areas of Dare County, NC. Emergency management officials are strongly encouraging people planning to arrive Saturday to delay their plans until Sunday when Hurricane Charley has passed.

WEATHER:

A period of heavy rain with a few thunderstorms is expected through Saturday and Saturday night. Precipitation projections indicate a total of 3-6 inches of rain. A flood watch is in effect for local riverine. Tropical Storm force winds will begin near the Albemarle Sound late this afternoon and farther north across the southern Chesapeake Bay and southeast Virginia coasts late this afternoon and into the evening. Sustained winds of 35-45 mph and gusts over 60 mph are possible. Tropical storm winds will overspread the middle bay and Eastern Shore during the evening into the night. Isolated tornadoes, downed trees, and power lines are possible.

EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS:

- Local emergency declared by the City of Danville at 1830 hours, August 12 for tornado/wind damage.

Impact on Individuals

- City of Danville:
 - 15-20 reported with minor injuries
 - 1,500 customers without power
 - All major roads passable; 6-12 secondary roads and streets closed due to debris and high water; restricted travel in the Forest Hill area – open to residents only
 - Two reported water lines broken

ONGOING STATE ACTIONS:

- VDOT has plans in place to close the Jamestown-Scotland Ferries and the Midtown Tunnel if necessary
- DMV waiver for out-of-state utility trucks in place at all weigh stations
- Department of Health has put District and Regional Teams on alert and is checking communications equipment
- State Corporation Commission has contacted all state utilities to determine their preparatory actions
- Dominion Virginia Power is increasing emergency operations center staffing this evening
- State Police staff ready for emergency duty
- American Red Cross Hurricane Watch Team is operational

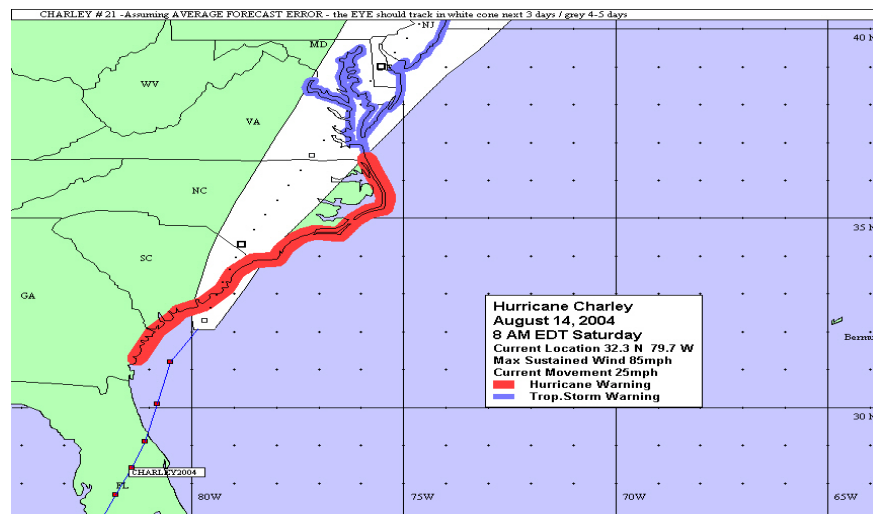
PROJECTED STATE ACTIONS:

- Conference call with coastal jurisdiction scheduled for 1030 today
- Virginia Emergency Operations Center at Readiness Level 1
- All agencies of the Virginia Emergency Response Team are reviewing plans and alerting appropriate staff
- Additional VDEM staff in place at the VEOC and remaining through the weekend.
- The VEOC is conducting conference calls with state agencies daily. VEOC is participating in regional conference calls with FEMA and neighboring states. Joint VEOC-NWS conference calls with local governments will be conducted today.
- The next SITREP will be issued at 1800 today and is also available on www.vaemergency.com

STATE PRIORITIES:

- Citizen safety and welfare
- Emergency public information
- Aggressive pursuit of providing resources to local governments
- Continuous communication with localities
- Collection and evaluation of Initial Damage Assessments and Local Situation Reports

PROJECTED TRACK OF HURRICANE CHARLEY 0800 hours



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